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Silver said he received a call yesterday from Michael Blouin, Director, Information Security Oversight Office. Blouin said he disapproves of Agency regulations under E.O. 12065 (classifications) and that he has released to the ACLU copies of correspondence between ISOO and CIA on the "balancing test"--balance between security safeguards and the public's right to know. Silver said nasty problems are rising out of Blouin's role, e.g., a case being argued today--Marks vs. CIA--could be jeopardized. Silver said he will engage in no further written correspondence with Blouin, that Blouin is impeding our legitimate process. Mr. Carlucci expressed his alarm and asked Silver and Wortman to work out a way of dealing effectively with Blouin without ignoring Blouin's executive order responsibilities. (Action: DDA and OGC) [] 25X1

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